Atlantic Resolve Fact Sheet

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Armored and Aviation brigade rotations overview

- Nine-month rotations scheduled into the foreseeable future
- Enhances the deterrence capabilities, increases ability to respond to potential crises and defend our allies and partners in the European community
- Remains under U.S. command
- Focuses on strengthening capabilities and sustaining readiness through bilateral and multinational training and exercises

4th Infantry Division, Mission Command Element:

- Based in Baumholder, Germany
- Regionally aligned division headquarters for Europe since 2015
- · Oversees rotational units, tactical headquarters for U.S. land forces
- Provides U.S. Army Europe a division-level command and control capability

3rd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division:

- Arrives in January 2017 from Fort Carson, Colorado
- Bringing approximately 3,500 personnel and 87 tanks, 18 Paladins; 419 HMMWV variants; 144 Bradley Fighting Vehicles; (446 tracked vehicles, 907 wheeled vehicles, 650 trailers)
- Beginning of Armored Brigade Combat Team continuous presence and back-to-back rotations of U.S. troops and equipment
- Equipment arrives at Bremerhaven, Germany, and moves by rail, commercial line-haul and military convoy to Poland consolidating near Drawsko Pomorskie and Zagan training areas
- Beginning in February 2017 units will distribute across region:
 - Brigade headquarters; brigade engineering and support battalions; 3rd Battalion, 29th Field Artillery Regiment; and 4th Squadron, 10th Cavalry Regiment Poland (Zagan, Swietoszow, Skwierzyna, and Boleslawiec)
 - o 1st Battalion, 68th Armor Regiment positioned in Baltic nations until eFPs are in place, then rotates for exercises
 - 1st Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment primarily in Bulgaria and Romania
 - o 1st Battalion, 66th Armor Regiment Grafenwöhr, Germany, for training and maintenance

10th Combat Aviation Brigade:

- Begins arriving in February from Fort Drum, New York with approximately 10 Chinooks, 50 Blackhawks and 1,800 personnel
- Headquartered in Illesheim, Germany, with forward positioned aircraft in task forces in Latvia, Romania, and Poland
- An aviation battalion from Ft. Bliss will be attached to the 10th CAB task force with approximately 400 personnel and 24 Apaches

Black Sea persistent and continuous presence

 Continued investment in the training and mission command capabilities at Novo Selo Training Area, Bulgaria, and Mihail Kogalniceanu Air Base, Romania

Army Prepositioned Stock

- Started assembling in September 2016, most of the equipment comes from across the Army, some was once European Activity Set
- Equipment and ammunition required to support armored division-sized force, can also be drawn for training and exercises
- Reduces deployment times, improves deterrence capabilities and provides additional combat power for contingency operations
- Locations: Eygelshoven, Netherlands; Zutendaal, Belgium; Miesau and Dülmen, Germany; and discussions ongoing for a site in Poland

Enhanced Forward Presence

- Separate and distinct from rotational forces
- Will fall under NATO operational control
- Contributes to the alliance's deterrence and defense capabilities
- U.S. is the framework nation for the Poland-based eFP Battle Group
- In April 2017 2nd Squadron, 2nd Stryker Cavalry Regiment will move from Vilseck, Germany, to Orzysz, Poland, with elements from the contributing nations of United Kingdom and Romania

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